

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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April 01, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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April 1, 2014

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ADOPT CONTRIBUTION OF
HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING AND
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
GATEWAY CITIES ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION
MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITIES OF LA MIRADA AND SANTA FE SPRINGS AND
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH WHITTIER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4)
(4 VOTES)

#### SUBJECT

This action is to authorize Highways-Through-Cities financial assistance to the Cities of La Mirada and Santa Fe Springs and to approve and advertise the Gateway Cities Advanced Transportation Management Systems Improvement Project in these Cities and in the unincorporated community of South Whittier; find the project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt Resolution No. 3943 and the plans and specifications; authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid; deliver the project; and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 3943 finding that the project is of general County interest and that the County of Los Angeles aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds shall be provided to the

Cities of La Mirada and Santa Fe Springs to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax in the amount of \$647.000.

- 3. Approve and advertise the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for the installation of video detection at 23 intersections, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$750,000 and \$1,050,000.
- 4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not responsive, to determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid.
- 5. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on April 29, 2014, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.
- 6. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, and deliver the project.
- 7. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings; (2) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in Public Contract Code Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; (3) accept the project upon its final completion; (4) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of Public Contract Code Sections 7107 and 9203; and (5) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of Public Contract Code Section 4104.5.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of the project from the Board; adopt Resolution No. 3943 and the plans and specifications; authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid; deliver the project; and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director or her designee to carry out this project.

Video detection will be installed at 23 intersections along Imperial Highway and Telegraph Road. The locations are:

- Imperial Highway at Shoemaker Road
- Imperial Highway at Leffingwell Road
- Imperial Highway at Carmenita Road
- Imperial Highway at Marquardt Avenue
- Imperial Highway at Meyer Road/Edwards Road
- Imperial Highway at Valley View Avenue
- · Imperial Highway at Biola Avenue
- Imperial Highway at Telegraph Road

- Imperial Highway at La Mirada Boulevard
- Imperial Highway at Cordova Road
- Imperial Highway at Ocaso Avenue
- Imperial Highway at Oxford Drive
- Imperial Highway at Santa Gertrudes Avenue
- Imperial Highway at 1st Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Gunn Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Florence Avenue/Mill Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Telechron Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Victoria Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Ceres Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Valley View Avenue
- Telegraph Road at Colima Road
- Telegraph Road at Leffingwell Road
- Telegraph Road at Springview Drive

Additionally, Board adoption of the enclosed resolution approves a County of Los Angeles contribution of \$647,000 in Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds to finance each city's jurisdictional share of the project cost.

Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the Board of Supervisors of any County may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general County interest and that County aid shall be extended therefor.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing improved traffic flow for the traveling public, which will benefit the cities and community.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$750,000 to \$1,050,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$1,416,000, with the County's jurisdictional share being \$769,000, the City of La Mirada's share being \$493,000, and the City of Santa Fe Springs' share being \$154,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, materials testing, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The project cost will be financed with \$1,096,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant Funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum, and \$320,000 in Proposition C Local Return Match Funds. On an annual basis, the Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$320,000 will be funded from this TOP allocation. The \$647,000 in HTC funds consists of Proposition C Discretionary Grant Funds and Proposition C Local Return Funds. Financing is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The enclosed resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

This project is part of the Department of Public Works' ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in September 2014 and be completed in November 2014.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to obtain a contractor for the installation of video detection systems.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the Los Angeles County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements

necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsection (x)(4) of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the modification of an existing traffic signal system.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award by the Director or her designee will be made upon review of the bids meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved traffic flow thereby benefiting the cities and community.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original signed resolution to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
 County Counsel
 Executive Office
 Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

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# RESOLUTION NO. 3943 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO EXTEND COUNTY AID TO THE CITIES OF LA MIRADA AND SANTA FE SPRINGS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF VIDEO DETECTION

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF LA MIRADA and SANTA FE SPRINGS, hereinafter referred to as CITIES, and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, desire to install video detection at 23 intersections on Imperial Highway from Shoemaker Avenue to First Avenue and on Telegraph Road from Gunn Avenue to Springview Drive, which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY proposes to construct PROJECT at no cost to CITIES; and

WHEREAS, portions of PROJECT are located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of PROJECT is currently estimated to be One Million Four Hundred Sixteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,416,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the total PROJECT cost will be financed with One Million Ninety-Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,096,000.00) in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum, and Three Hundred Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$320,000.00) in Proposition C Local Return match funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the Three Hundred Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$320,000.00) will be funded from this TOP allocation; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is consistent with the scope of work for traffic improvements within CITIES pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Numbers P0004221 and P0006295 between COUNTY and LACMTA; and

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The PROJECT is of general COUNTY interest and County aid shall be extended therefor.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code, to extend aid to CITIES in the amount of Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$647,000.00) for PROJECT from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

SECTION 3. The financial obligations of the COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from LACMTA pursuant to MOU Numbers P0004221 and P0006295 between COUNTY and LACMTA.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.



SACHI A. HAMAI Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI County Counsel

Deputy